



**CITY OF SOMERVILLE, MASSACHUSETTS**  
**DEPARTMENT OF TRAFFIC AND PARKING**  
**JOSEPH A. CURTATONE**  
**MAYOR**

**SUBJECT:** City of Somerville - Residential Permit Parking Program

Dear Applicant:

Enclosed, please find the petition for a residential permit parking that you requested. This petition must be completed in full and returned to the Department of Traffic & Parking for verification of signatures. The required number of signatures must be obtained, submitted, and verified before the Traffic Commission will consider your petition.

**PLEASE READ CAREFULLY THE FOLLOWING CRITERIA THAT YOU MUST MEET REGARDING ELIGIBILITY.**

Approximately one half of the City's streets are posted for Permit parking. This means that you must obtain a **RESIDENTIAL PERMIT PARKING** sticker before you can legally park on these streets. Motor vehicles parked on these streets without a residential sticker will be issued a violation.

In order for a street to become designated as a permit-parking street, the residents of the street must petition the Traffic Commission to pass a traffic regulation. The Traffic Commission will consider a petition only after 66% of the street's residents approve of the request. Each petition will be verified with City records to validate the residency status of the petitioners.

The petitions must be signed by the inhabitants of apartments and households who are legally residing on the street. Inhabitants of illegal apartments will not be considered. In addition, only one signature per valid household or apartment will be considered.

To obtain a residential permit-parking sticker, a resident of the City of Somerville must present a current, valid motor vehicle registration issued by the Commonwealth of Massachusetts Registry of Motor Vehicles. The registration must state that the principal place of garaging is Somerville, Massachusetts. Altered registrations are not accepted.

The residential permit-parking sticker is valid on all posted streets in the City of Somerville. This permit is valid in areas beyond your street or neighborhood as long as you are within the City limits. Currently, a small fee of \$5.00 per vehicle is charged for a residential parking permit. Senior Citizens (over 60 years of age) are exempt from this fee.

If the Traffic Commission passes a regulation, which makes your street a permit-parking street, you are entitled to receive two visitor cards per household or apartment. These cards are to be used by your visitors only twice per week in the same vehicle. However, extensions may be obtained by calling the Department of Traffic & Parking at (617) 625-6600, extension 7900 if necessary.

To obtain visitor cards, you must show a current gas or electric bill that indicates the servicing address of the household or apartment in which you reside. A small fee of \$1.00 per visitor card is charged and senior citizens are exempt from this fee. Visitor cards are never to be used by residents - for any reason.

If you have any questions regarding this program, please do not hesitate to contact the Department of Traffic & Parking at (617) 625-6600, extension 7900 (voice). You may also contact the Commission for Persons with Disabilities at extension 2400 (voice). Either department may be contacted for TTY access at (617) 666-0001.

Sincerely,

Stan Koty  
Chair

Captain Robert Bradley  
Acting Director



CITY OF SOMERVILLE  
TRAFFIC & PARKING DEPARTMENT

**RESIDENTIAL PERMIT PARKING PETITION**

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Date of Petition: \_\_\_\_\_

Contact Person: \_\_\_\_\_ Telephone Number: \_\_\_\_\_  
Last Name, First Name, Middle Initial

This is a petition to designate and post \_\_\_\_\_ for "Residential Permit Parking".  
Name of Street

This petition must be approved by at least 66% of the households or apartments on the street, including corner households that intersect the designated street. The Traffic Commission will not approve this petition unless 66% of the households have approved it. Only **one signature** is permitted per household. Attach additional sheets if necessary.

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Traffic Commission: \_\_\_\_\_ Approved / Denied \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Date Signs Posted: \_\_\_\_\_ Work Order Number: \_\_\_\_\_



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